Temperance Column.

By the Ocala Temperance Reform Club.

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The Club meets every Sunday afternoon at four o'clock in Temperance Hall. The Public are invited.

A LETTER TO THE DEVIL, AND HIS

(Continued from last issue) THE REPLY.

REPLY.

My Dear Brother-I address you A. E. HOLLAND, by this endearing appellation bespirits, and the great work we are both engaged in.

I most cordially accept your pro- cialty. posals. For five thousand years I have sought for a man so fully after my own heart to do my work among men.

I ransacked the lowest depths of hell for spirits who could do for Florida and Western me the whole work of destruction. But little success attended my efforts.

I sent out the demon Murder and he slew a few thousand-gen erally the helpless and innocent. But his mission was a failure.

I bade my servant Lust go forth. He led innocent youths and beauful maidens in chains, destroying virtue, wrecking happiness, blasting character in untimely deaths and dishonored graves. But even then many victims escaped through the powers of God, my enemy.

I sent out Avarice, and in his golden chains some were bound. But men soon learned to hate him for his meanness, and comparatively few fell by him.

The twin sons, Pestilence and War, went forth, and Famine strode along behind them; but these slew indiscriminately the old and young, the good as well as the bad, and heaven gained as many accessions as hell.

In sadness my Satanic heart mourned over the probable loss of my crown and kingdom, as I contemplated the tremendous strides which the gospel of Christ was making in saving men from my clutches. But when I received your welcome letter I shouted till the welkin of hell rang again, Eureka! eureka! I have found him! I have found him! My dear friend, I could have embraced you a thouders to reserve a place for you nearest my person, the most honorable place in my kingdom. (You can also assure those by whose aid and sanction you are enabled to secure license to transact your business that in the bestowment of my honors they will not be forgot- Ocala ten.) Hard by your cell your victims will be confined, and, if I am not mistaken, their shrieks will sometimes make you forget your own sufferings.

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I will also harden your heart so that your conscience will not trouble you. You shall think yourself a gentleman, though your victims call you a demon. You shall be devoid of the fear of God, the horrors of the grave and the solemnities of eternity. And when you come to see me your work shall produce you a reward forever.

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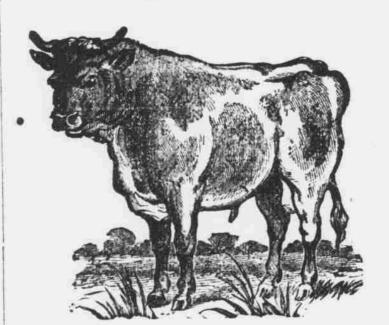




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